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In the Election Requirement dated March 10, 2003, the Office states that the claims are directed to the following patentably distinct species: Figs. 1a-1f; 3a-3o; and 3p-3s. Applicant elects the species of Figs. 3a-3o for prosecution on the merits. Claims 13 and 15-21 are believed to be readable upon the species embodied in Figs. 3a-3o.

Applicant asks that all claims be allowed. Please contact the undersigned if there are any questions about this response.

Respectfully submitted,

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